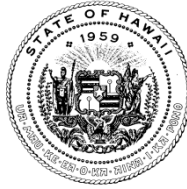


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**S.C.R. 62 SD1  
REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CREATE A  
SECOND ACCESS POINT FROM WHITMORE VILLAGE VIA SAIPAN ROAD TO  
KAMEHAMEHA HIGHWAY TO ALLEVIATE TRAFFIC ON WHITMORE AVENUE.**

House Committee on Transportation

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The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports the intent** of this resolution and provides the following comments.

Whitmore Avenue (Route 7012) is functionally classified as a minor collector roadway which meets the primary criteria for the State Highway System. But, due to Whitmore Avenue's access to the military facility, the Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific and National Security Agency Hawaii (NCTAMS PAC), the roadway is eligible for the Federal-Aid System and therefore part of the State Highway System.

It is DOT's understanding that Saipan Drive accesses the NCTAMS PAC and is under the jurisdiction of the Federal government; therefore, the DOT will coordinate with NCTAMS PAC for this proposed additional military facility access to Kamehameha Highway (Route 99). Based on the length of the new connection, costs could range from \$25M to \$35M. Additional funding, either federal from discretionary grants or military funding, or state may be necessary.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.